

**THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**  
Sunday, October 11th 2020

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Dear Friends

Last Sunday I was very privileged to baptise Thomas Frank Harrison. As you will imagine in our present circumstances, conducting a baptism was very different to our normal way of being. The “rule of six” for a baptism meant there were actually nine of us present with myself, Catherine our Verger, and Christopher our organist, who are allowed to be present as well, wholly physically distanced, as they are staff of the church who had roles in enabling the service to happen. It meant that the whole of St Margaret’s Church, who would normally be present to welcome the new member of the Body Christ, were reduced to just three very scattered people in our church building. There were three godparents as well as Jack, Bethany and little Thomas. It is, of course, painful that Thomas’ big brother or sister couldn’t be present, nor his grandparents, his auntie, or any other members of his family. However, what we were able to celebrate was a uniquely intimate occasion, even with the required physical distancing.

Given a certain amount care and imagination we were able to celebrate much of fullness of the baptismal rites. We were able to maintain physical distancing by using our shell to baptise Thomas while Mummy held him. All of us shared in the act of christening prior to the baptism but instead of using our fingers we each had a cotton bud stick which we individually dipped in the oil of baptism before parents and godparents shared in the making the sign of the cross. Thomas was presented with his lighted baptismal candle immediately after the baptism, a sign

of the light of Christ amidst our present darkness. (Some hand sanitiser kept that safe as it was presented.) This was indeed a sign of the resurrection faith that we share as we all pass, immersed, through the depths of our COVID passion.

In my homily I spoke a little about the Christian hope. This is not just a blind optimism, nor is it a simplistic belief that all will be well in the end. Rather, the Christian hope is found in Christ himself who is our beginning and end – our Alpha and Omega. The Christian hope is found in our belief that Christ came to be with us, and is with us now, and will be with us until the end of time. He passed through the deep waters of death and holds out to us the hope of resurrection by being raised from the dead. The sign of the cross with which we christen baptismal candidates is the same cross which is made on our foreheads at some of the most other crucial points in life, and especially in our sickness and mortality. Here is Christ sharing with us and being with us in all things. Christ is with us so that there is no place or time when he is not present. There is no situation where he is not bearing and upholding us with the same arms of love which he held out to the world on the cross.

I pray that we may all reminded of, and rejoice in, our baptismal faith as we welcome little Thomas into the Body of Christ. I pray too that his new life be a sign to us all of the hope which is held out to us all in our Lord Jesus Christ.

With my love and prayers, Fr. Philip

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OCTOBER 4TH 2020

# THE BAPTISM OF THOMAS FRANK HARRISON

St Margaret's Ilkley



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## **Sunday “Coffee Time”**

Please join us on Sunday, October 11th for our virtual "coffee time". The meeting details are below.

Topic: St Margaret's Coffee Meeting

Time: October 11th, 2020 11:30 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/7586081733?pwd=bFVnZ1dpbzFPN3h5aVpVbmJmank4QT09>

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### **Let Us Pray**

God of Love,  
you are with us  
in every transition and change.  
As we enter into this new era  
with hope and some anxiety,  
We recall your deep compassion,  
presence, and abounding love.  
We thank you for the gifts, talents and skills  
with which you have blessed us.  
We thank you for the opportunity to work  
together towards a shared vision.  
We thank you for the experiences that  
have brought us to this moment.  
We thank you for the work of others that  
gives breadth and depth to our own work.  
Be with us as we move forward,  
rejoicing with you  
and supporting one another.  
We ask this in your Holy Name.

**Amen**

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**Private Prayer at St. Margaret's**

**Monday to Thursday**

**9.30 am - 11.30 am**

**St Margaret's is open for individual private prayer on Monday to Thursday mornings between 9.30am and 11.30am.**

Please use hand sanitizer when you enter and leave church and take responsibility for your own social distancing. Please also pick up one of the "Please clean me" notices on entering church. We kindly ask you to leave this notice on your seat when you leave church.

We wish to keep the church as a place of quiet. Any social conversations should take place away from the Church and its grounds. There will be no hymn books or prayer books or other cards available, so if you would like any prayer resources please bring those with you and take them away similarly.

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# ST. MARGARET'S ILKLEY

## Services on

Sunday 11th October

### THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00am Mass in Church

Sung Mass by Choir

Booking is essential through the Parish Office  
stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com.

This service will NOT be live-streamed

**10:30am YouTube Premiere: Sung Mass**  
from the temporary Chapel in the Vicarage

Sunday 18th October

### LUKE THE EVANGELIST

10.00am Mass in Church

Sung Mass by Choir

Booking is essential through the Parish Office  
stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com.

This service will NOT be live-streamed

**10:30am YouTube Premiere: Sung Mass**  
from the temporary Chapel in the Vicarage



With Vicar  
Canon Philip Gray

Live Services and Daily Reflections available on Facebook and YouTube

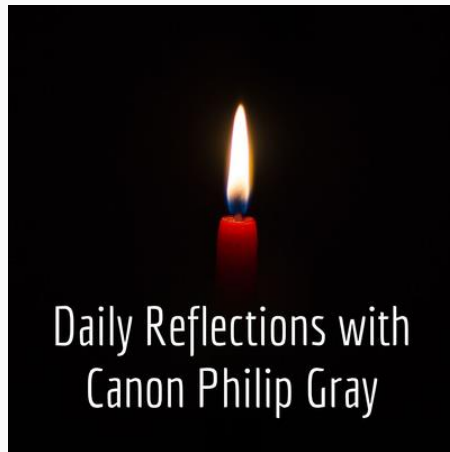
Search for @StMargaretsChurchIlkley

Daily Reflection podcasts available on the Parish Website and all good podcast  
streaming platforms

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Full details for public worship can be found here:

[https://mcusercontent.com/ba3ec307ede7e24cd60c47953/files/c6b4e0a3-5f95-4186-bfda-b7efdc7e4dad/Public\\_Worship\\_Prep\\_Doc\\_July\\_20\\_Pub2.pdf](https://mcusercontent.com/ba3ec307ede7e24cd60c47953/files/c6b4e0a3-5f95-4186-bfda-b7efdc7e4dad/Public_Worship_Prep_Doc_July_20_Pub2.pdf)



Fr Philip's reflections in his series of podcasts include considerations of selected Bible passages, as well as thoughts and prayers during this challenging time. Using the link below, you can post a message to Fr Philip with your thoughts. Simply click on the 'leave a message' button to record your message.

<https://anchor.fm/stmargaretsilkley/>

'Daily Reflections' is also available on your favourite podcast streaming apps including Google and Apple Podcasts, Spotify and many more. You can also access it on the Parish Website on the link below:

<https://www.stmargaretsilkley.org/podcast-daily-reflections-canon-philip-gray>

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### **Electoral Roll Revision**

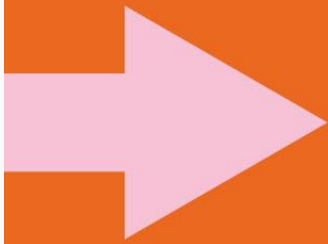
The Electoral Roll Revision which was postponed in March will now take place from October 29th to November 11th 2020. If you were added to the roll last year you do not need to do anything. If you are not on the current electoral roll please consider adding your name this year. Joining the electoral roll means that you can vote at the APCM and it makes you eligible to stand for PCC and other church committees. It is also a way of demonstrating your ongoing commitment to the life and work of St Margaret's. In order to reduce the risk of infection, forms will not be left at the back of church this year. If you would like to apply please contact Catherine Beaumont [catherinebeaumont12@googlemail.com](mailto:catherinebeaumont12@googlemail.com), or the Parish Administrator at [stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com](mailto:stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com), and I will post a form to you. Forms can be returned by post or can be left in the safe at the back of church. Thank you, Catherine Beaumont.

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# CASTLE YARD

ARTS  
FESTIVAL

10-11  
october



Ilkley Arts

#cyartsfest

visit our website:  
[www.ilkleyarts.org](http://www.ilkleyarts.org)

connect with us:



**SATURDAY 10/10/2020**

**11:00 - 12:30 (facebook)**

**HOST:**  
Sarah Thomas

**CHATTING WITH ARTISTS:**  
Caroline Hudson / MelAnie

**ALSO FEATURING:**  
Caroline Smith /  
Louise Hepworth-Wood /  
Art School Ilkley

**SUNDAY 11/10/2020**

**11:30 - 13:00 (facebook)**

**HOST:**  
Lucia Smith

**CHATTING WITH ARTISTS:**  
Laura Dawes

**ALSO FEATURING:**  
Felicja Nattress / Howard  
Gardiner / Pippa Hamilton /  
Lyndsey Jayne Gough /  
Art School Ilkley

**SELFIE COMPETITION**

**Post to #CYartsfest.**  
Prize - £50 voucher from  
Art Shop Ilkley



**SATURDAY 10/10/2020**

**13:00 - 16:00 (facebook)**

**HOST:**  
Louise-Hepworth Wood /  
Jeremy Lewis

**CHATTING WITH ARTISTS:**  
John Gamble / Rebecca Carr  
/ Lucia Smith

**ALSO FEATURING:**  
Chris Bailey / Jackie Knight  
/ Kathryn Fox / Jo Tinker /  
Clare Dearnaley / Richard  
Miller / Jackie Waring / Debi  
Roberson / Libby Jubb/  
Kerry Stoker

**SUNDAY 11/10/2020**

**14:00 - 15:30 (facebook)**

**HOST:**  
Sarah Thomas / Ruth Pitt

**ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION:**  
Ruth Pitt, Media consultant  
and executive Chair of Leeds  
2023 hosts a roundtable  
discussion about the future  
of the creative sector in Ilkley,  
with representatives from  
Ilkley Literature Festival,  
Ilkley Playhouse, Ilkley Manor  
House, Bradford Council,  
Upstagers and Ilkley Arts

**ALSO FEATURING:**  
Vanessa Plews / Frances Taylor

**DRAWING CHALLENGE**

Saturday 10 October 2020  
11pm to 1pm & 2pm to 4pm  
Manor House Courtyard.

**EVENT DESCRIPTION:**  
Be prepared to draw things  
you can see, things from  
your Imagination and from  
your memory. Your drawings  
will then become part of the  
online celebration of Castle  
Yard Festival of the Arts.

**SOUNDSCAPE AND DANCE**

Sunday 11 October 2020  
11am - 1pm  
Manor House Courtyard.

**EVENT DESCRIPTION:**  
Mati Torres, a contemporary  
dancer and Ben Walker,  
a soundscape artist will  
create an improvised  
sound and movement piece.

**CYAF ART EXHIBITION**

Saturday 10th and Sunday  
11th October 2020, 11am -  
4pm in the Manor House

**EVENT DESCRIPTION:**  
Showcasing work of all  
artists involved in the  
festival. Admission is  
free and all the works  
are for sale.





# Autumn 2020 Recital Series

Tuesday 13 October - 13.00	piano
Wednesday 21 October - 12.30	organ
Tuesday 10 November - 12.30	soprano
Wednesday 25 November - 12.30	organ
Tuesday 08 December - 12.30	flute and clarinet
Wednesday 16 December - 12.30	organ

Free of charge

Donations encouraged (pay as you feel)

36 seats available. Tickets must be acquired on Eventbrite

For more information and to access our livestream, go to:

[www.bradfordcathedral.org/music/autumn-2020-recital-series/](http://www.bradfordcathedral.org/music/autumn-2020-recital-series/)

## Practical Support and Help

**Ilkley and District Good Neighbours** provides a range of support and practical help during coronavirus to include shopping, a regular phone call, collecting prescriptions and other help needed. If you need help call 07375 803693 or fill in this online form <https://bit.ly/ilkleycorona>  
For more information go to <https://goodneighboursilkley.org.uk/>

**Ilkley and Wharfedale Medical Practice request use of face coverings** when attending an appointment at the medical centre.

**Ilkley Library.** To reserve books from the online catalogue and for the Home Library Service – [ilkley.library@bradford.gov.uk](mailto:ilkley.library@bradford.gov.uk) 01943 436225

**Ilkley Chat** provides the latest news affecting Ilkley as a result of COVID-19 <https://www.ilkleychat.co.uk/coronavirus> This link also provides details of **food delivery services** offered by supermarkets. Contact Alison Stretton on 01943 430024 or Vickie Kemp at [stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com](mailto:stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com) for more information.

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**During this difficult time it is important to keep in touch with friends. Please do feel you can call a member of our church family who will be pleased to hear from you.**

Fr Philip	01943 607210
Fr Bernard	01943 816253
Fr Godfrey	01943 603861
Jane Sheldon	01943 431288
Helen Buswell	01943 608146
Linda Whittaker	01943 601144
Alison Stretton	01943 430024

**Daily Hope, is a 24 hour free phone line for Christian worship and prayer.  
Call 0800 804 8044.**

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You can link to St. Margaret's Facebook page, website and YouTube channel by clicking the icons below.

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